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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Concurrence in Definitive Contract No. HF-20-80 with The Perkin-Elmer Corporation, Norwalk, Conn., Project [redacted]

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1. This memorandum contains a recommendation submitted for approval of the Director of Central Intelligence. Such recommendation is contained in Paragraph 5.

2. Contract No. HF-20-80 provides for engineering and production of photographic equipment and related ground support equipment on the behalf of and for the benefit of the Department of the Air Force pursuant to an exchange of correspondence between the Director of Central Intelligence and the Secretary of the Department of the Air Force wherein agreement was reached that the Agency would act as the procuring activity for the materials and services in question for reasons of security.

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3. Contract No. HF-20-80 provides authority for the Contractor to expend an amount not to exceed [redacted] for the equipment desired by the Department of the Air Force. This amount is to be obligated from Fiscal Year 1957 funds chargeable to Appropriation 2IK6889 for project [redacted] (funds transferred from the Department of the Air Force). The type of contract is fixed-price with provision for redetermination of price downward. The profit factor is 9% of target cost with an incentive provision which will permit the contractor to participate to the extent of 20% in any savings in cost up to a maximum profit of 12% of the target cost.

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4. Administration and settlement of Contract No. HF-20-80 will, in general, follow the policies and procedures presently in effect for our Project AQUATONE contracts. The most important deviation in this connection is that procurement requirement will emanate from designated representatives of the Department of the Air Force in a formal manner and such formal requirements alone will furnish the basis for any procurement action on the part of the Agency under Contract No. HF-20-80. A written agreement has been negotiated with Department of the Air Force representatives setting forth respective responsibilities in connection with contracts issued for that Department and the procedures which shall be followed.

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5. Approval of Contract No. HF-20-80 and execution thereof on behalf of the Agency by the authorized Project Contracting Officer is recommended.

RICHARD M. BISSELL, JR.  
SA/PC/DCI - Project Director

CONCURRENCES:

General Counsel

Comptroller

Approval requested in Paragraph 5  
granted.

Director of Central Intelligence

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